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QUERY CONTROL FORM

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With the product and its weight known, the price per unit weight information is determined, and a label such as label 170, 174 is printed, as described above. The label is applied to the salami portion 242, typically on a paper wrapping therefor.

In a modification, the scanner 10 is provided with a slot 244 through which magnetically encoded credit cards are passed for the purpose of charging the customer's account, all at one location.

This invention is not intended to be limited to food counters, since any merchandise can be optically read in the manner described above. In a retail situation such as a clothing store, the scanner 10 could additionally be provided with a tag deactivator of the type described in Serial No. 07/236, 249, now abandoned.

Inventory control is tightened with the arrangement described herein. Typically, the in-store processor (host computer) assigns a serial number to the product portion 242 being weighed. The processor then adds this information to the point-of-sale product file with the correct price. Once the product portion is scanned, the serial number is deleted from the product file.

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